

Bicycle Project Highlights: On-Road

Overview - North Carolina Coastal Improvements Map

The coast of North Carolina is long and varied, with charming seaside villages, miles of pristine National Seashore and numerous islands accessible by ferries and bridges. This region is one of the most popular bicycling destinations in the state and on the East Coast. Each year, thousands of bicyclists—residents and visitors alike—enjoy traveling through the cities and towns and along the back roads and byways, of the region. As a result, bicycles have become a highly visible part of the traffic mix. To better accommodate bicycle use and enhance on-road bicycle safety, the NCDOT Division of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation has undertaken a major initiative to improve the system of roadways and bridges along the coast. During the past seven years, much progress has been made. The maps below provide an overview of project locations along the entire coast, as well as more detailed maps of the three transportation divisions in the region.

COASTAL BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS – Overview Map

This map provides an overview of on-road bicycle improvement projects. The sections of roadway highlighted in red have already been upgraded with AASHTO-standard bicycle accommodations. Sections highlighted in yellow indicate high-priority projects that will be improved in the future, as funds become available. Roadways highlighted in purple are part of the existing mapped and signed NC Bicycling Highways system in eastern North Carolina.

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DIVISION 1 – Northern Coast

Wide paved shoulders have been added to more than 100 miles of NC 12 along the northern Outer Banks, from Corolla in Currituck County to Ocracoke in Hyde County. The addition of wide paved shoulders to the remaining sections of NC 12 is a top priority. Several of the newly constructed bridges were built to accommodate bicycles with wide paved shoulders and AASHTO-standard, bicycle-safe 54" railings. [Click here](#) for bicycling in the Outer Banks.

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DIVISION 2 – Central Coast

Bicycle accommodations in the form of wide paved shoulders and AASHTO-standard 54" bicycle-safe railings are provided on the bridge from Morehead City to Atlantic Beach. In addition, nearly 20 miles of wide paved shoulders have been constructed on NC 58 from Fort Macon State Park to Emerald Isle, along the Crystal Coast. *[click on image for larger map]*



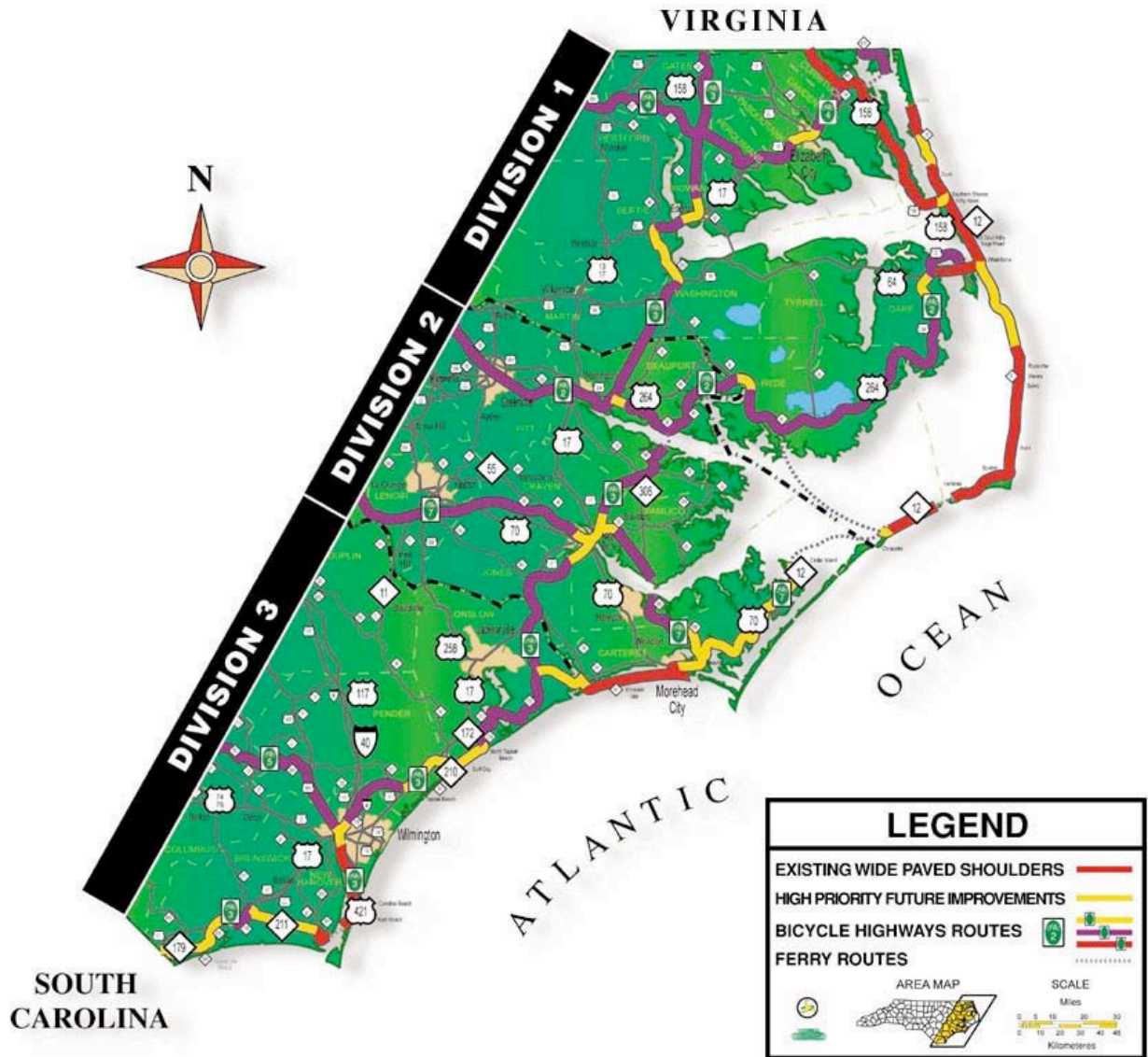
DIVISION 3 – Southern Coast

A project to add wide paved shoulders to 12.5 miles of River Road from Wilmington to the intersection with US 421 has been completed. There are also 8.5 miles of wide paved shoulders on US 421 from Carolina Beach, through Kure Beach all the way to the Fort Fisher ferry terminal. On the other side of the Cape Fear River, wide paved shoulders are provided on NC 211 from the ferry terminal to Southport, a distance of 3 miles. These three projects provide a continuous bicycle accommodation from Wilmington to Southport.



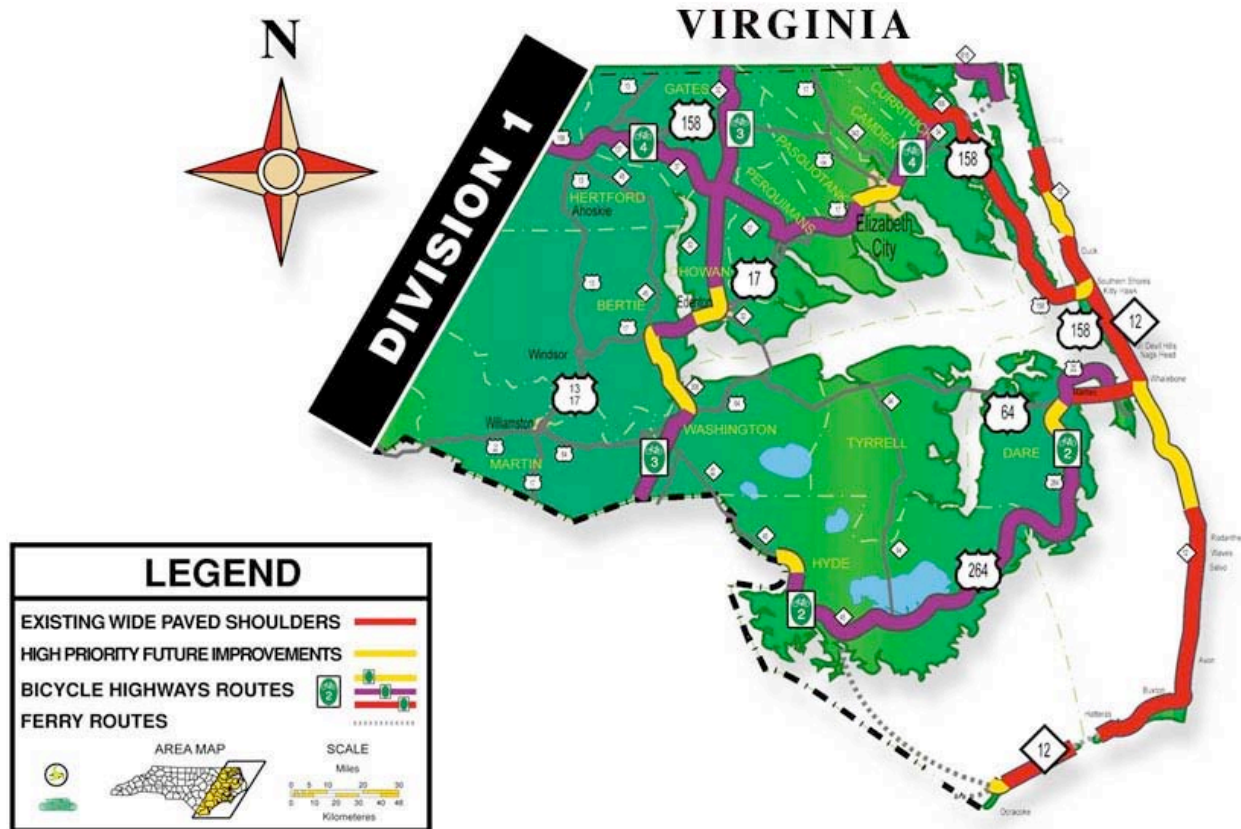
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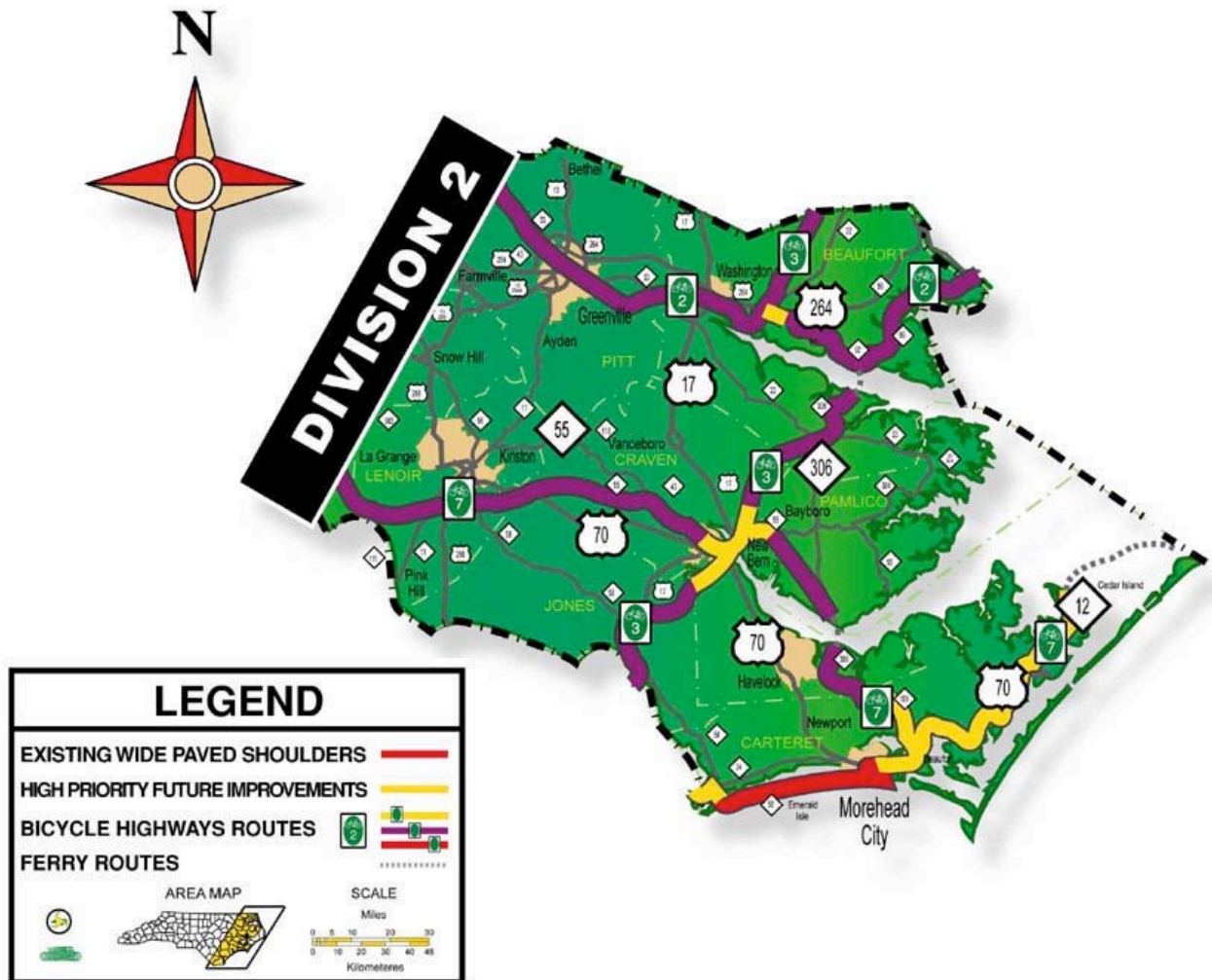


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